WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

- 1. An image recording apparatus comprising:
- a signal processing unit for processing an image signal;
- a recording unit for recording data by heating a recording medium;
 - a display unit for displaying the image signal; and
- a connection unit for rotatively connecting a 10 first housing and a second housing,

wherein said signal processing unit and said recording unit are disposed in different housings.

- 2. An image recording apparatus according to 15 claim 1, wherein said display unit and said signal processing unit are disposed in said first housing and said recording unit is disposed in said second housing.
- 3. An image recording apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said display unit and said recording unit are disposed in said first housing and said signal processing unit is disposed in said second housing.

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4. An image pickup apparatus comprising:

a camera unit for picking up an image of an object;

a signal processing unit for processing an image signal output from said camera unit;

a recording unit for recording data by heating a recording medium;

a display unit for displaying the image signal; and

a connection unit for rotatively connecting a 10 first housing and a second housing,

wherein said signal processing unit and said recording unit are disposed in different housings.

- 5. An image pickup apparatus according to claim
 4, wherein said display unit and said signal
 processing unit are disposed in said first housing
 and said camera unit and said recording unit are
 disposed in said second housing.
- 6. An image pickup apparatus according to claim
 4, wherein said display unit and said recording unit
 are disposed in said first housing and said camera
 unit and said signal processing unit are disposed in
 said second housing.